

# THE THOMAS COUNTY CAT.

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## Local News.

A carload of apples was brought into the city on Monday.

Mr. S. W. Parrish brought in a wagon load of watermelons on Monday.

Mrs. Ellis Adamson was blessed with a bright little boy last week.

Mr. Bruce, formerly our reliable carpenter, now of Gopher, was in the city Monday.

The city marshal should look after some of the nuisances in the way of hog yards.

Mr. Northrup, one of our popular barbers, is jubilant over the advent of a little girl.

C. H. Olds is suffering from a cactus that he got in his foot last September, while on his way out to Thomas county.

Mr. Marvin Uiskin, from Sutton, Neb., is here looking for a location to start a furniture store.

Jim Hines is happy over the advent of a little boy. Jim showed his usual generosity by setting up a box of cigars to the boys.

Chas. M. Hovey has dissolved partnership with Wilcox and formed one with W. G. Porter. E. P. Worcester has formed a partnership with Wilcox.

Colby is to have a second b. b. club by the name of "Footjacks." The chances are that they will beat the cats, at least they will make them run fast.

In the rifle at Palace Drug Store, T. C. Shanklin won the watch, E. P. Worcester, the sleeve buttons, Robt. McGonigal the chain.

E. P. Worcester is going to study law. He says he will soon order \$200 worth of law books. We are glad to have the legal literature of the city increased so much.

Dr. J. W. Martin was called out to visit Mrs. Alonzo Lowery on last Sunday. He reports her as not dangerous. The Dr. was caught in the heavy rain, and no longer believes Kansas is dry.

Miss C. Thistlewait and Miss Stewart made us a very pleasant call yesterday. They will live in Thomas county. Such live young people are what make a live, prosperous county.

Another grand soaking rain last evening. How strange it sounds to hear of it being so dry here. No use to go back to your wife's relations; your wife's relations had better come here.

Mr. Ennis, of the firm of Ennis & Walker, Ennis, Kans., while driving a nail in a box the other day, the nail flew up into his eye, and he came to Colby to see Drs. Martin. It seemed to be quite serious at first.

There is a very strong feeling in Sherman against organizing now. All the farmers oppose it, and they meet this week at Ennis to take steps to protest against it and send a remonstrance to the governor.

Capt. Allen stopped at Colby Sunday night last on his way to Oberlin from Ennis. Capt. Ennis is booming. A new large livery stable and a large hotel are now going up. He also said Sherman was having plenty of rain now.

John Watts, of Wendell township, called on us Tuesday, and subscribed for the Cat for a year to be sent back to Indiana. He has the right spirit. The way to settle up the county is to send the Cat to friends back in the east, which tells all about the county.

We are proud to say that the Thomas Cat base ball club is a success beyond doubt the best club in this part of the state. What makes this the more surprising is that the club took its name from this paper, and if we are not mistaken it is the first instance on record where a club named after a paper has been successful. We hope the Lincoln Journal will take notice.

There was a very heavy rain on Sunday last in Thomas county, particularly at Colby. It lasted about one hour, and rained three inches. The streets were completely flooded, and showed the need of sidewalks, which we are about to have. Let the eastern people croak about us; we have rain every few days, and it ensures us good crops this year and a big boom this fall. The eastern men will go west now to their wife's folks. Come; now is the time.

OTTERBOURNE, Aug. 10, 1886. The committee on arrangements for the picnic at Hine's Spring, desire to render their sincere thanks to the singers who so kindly assisted in the excellent music rendered. Also to Messrs. Hovey, Wilcox, and Goodson, for the excellent addresses that were so appropriate and just, in their praise of northwestern Kansas, and especially Thomas county, which certainly cannot be overestimated.

A. W. BEXSETT, J. L. STEPHENS, Committee.

Fair Association.

Colby, Kansas, Aug. 7, 1886.

Meeting called to order by Mr. Frank Pingree. Dr. C. H. Martin was elected chairman, and C. R. Marks secretary. The object of the meeting was stated by Mr. Pingree to be for the purpose of discussing the question of organization of a fair association. Report of committee appointed at a previous meeting called for. The committee had no definite report, but all favored the forming of a stock company and incorporating it under the laws of the state. Speeches from many of the gentlemen present were all favorable to this idea. Mr. Pingree then suggested that a stock company be formed; that the capital stock be placed at \$10,000 and the shares at \$100 each, \$1000 \$15 payable the present year, and the balance in yearly installments. This suggestion was favorably received. Mr. Pingree then moved that a delegate be elected from each township in this county, and one from Sherman, to constitute a board to organize a fair association. The motion prevailed, and the following list of delegates was selected: Frank Pingree from Morgan township; Thomas Reed, from Randall; J. W. Gilmore, from Rowohl; Thos. Hemming, from Barret; J. Summers, from Wendell; J. A. Rutherford, from Hale; and L. M. Hardwood, from Sherman.

Mr. Porter moved that this board be empowered to form and incorporate a stock company, and to fix the amount of stock and the number of shares. The motion was carried.

Motion made and carried that the delegates be requested to meet in this city on Thursday, Aug. 19th, at 2 o'clock p. m., and that a notice of such meeting be published in the next issue of the Colby paper, and in the Sherman county Dark Horse.

A motion to adjourn then prevailed. C. R. MARKS, Secretary. C. H. MARTIN, President.

## You May Save \$100—Read This.

We want everyone to remember that we have money to loan on real estate in Sherman and Thomas counties and on more advantageous terms than any other agents in town. Mark this. You can pay off your mortgage at any time for the face of the note and legal interest, and no bonus asked. You well know how much this would help you if you should wish to sell your farm. And then money may get cheaper as the country develops, and noticing this card may save you \$100. We will endeavor to merit your patronage. Try us and tell your neighbor about this. Respectfully, PORTER & HOVEY.

Base Ball. Last Saturday the Sappa Rats entertained the Colby Cats in a game of base ball. It was one of the best games played in Colby this season, with but few errors. On the 7th inning the rats got in 6 runs, by errors in fielding and wild throws by the Thomas Cats. The following is the score:

THE THOMAS CATS.								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
H. Davis.....	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
F. Marble.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	4
Ed. Teal.....	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	3
C. C. Siggins.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lon Ikard.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Wm. Dadds.....	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
H. Marble.....	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	4
Wm. Weld.....	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	2
Geo. Hyatt.....	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	2
	2	6	0	5	1	4	2	120

SAPPA RATS.									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
C. U. Trail....	0	0						1	2
Harry Trail....			1	0		0		1	0
Mon Jesson....	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	2
C. Trail....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
John McBride....		1	0	0		0		1	2
Fred Mollring....		0	0	0		0		1	1
P. Rockwell....		1	1			0		0	2
Seth Rockwell....		0	0			0	0	0	
A. L. Rockwell....						0	0	0	0
	0	2	1	1	1	0	2	4	12

In Memoriam.

Little Leslie, the four-year old son of L. A. and E. A. Lewis, departed this life Monday morning, Aug. 24, 1886. His death was caused by a most disastrous and heartrending accident, which occurred on the morning of July 29th, at about 10 a. m. His father and brother Bertie were hauling sand from the creek two miles north of their home, and on this, as on most occasions, he had accompanied them, as he was a lover of the farm and all things belonging to it. After the sand was loaded and Leslie had filled his pockets with bright stones, and his little hand with sunflowers (a blossom he dearly loved), Mr. L. placed him in the seat to start home, and he himself walked and drove the team to lighten the load while ascending a hill just at hand. While going up the hill Leslie's hat blew off, and in reaching for it he lost his balance, falling over the end of the wagon in front of the front wheel. The wheel passed over the left side of the head back of the car, crushing the lower brain on that side, and causing three frightful gashes on the upper part of the skull, on the other side. The left ear was also badly cut, and particles of crushed brain oozed from the left ear. In backing the team the heavy load pulled the horses back too far, and after the load or 5,000 pounds had so crushed the poor little head, the horse stepped on one cheek, not causing a severe wound, but leaving an ugly bruise. He was carried home, and by the most vigilant care on the part of both doctors and nurses he lived until the stated hour of his death.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Turner, of Rawlins county, at the home of the parents, to a large audience of sympathizing and grief-stricken neighbors. The very appropriate passage of scripture found in 4th chapter of 3d Kings, from the 18th to the 28th verses, was read, and remarks from the 28th verse of the same chapter, "Gone to the Grave is our Loved One," was tearfully rendered.

He was a bright star in the family circle, too bright, too sweet for earth, and he has joined the pure angels above before the sins of earth could mar his assurances of heaven. The little hat hangs on the wall, the little shoes lie on the floor, the little dress is empty, and our home is desolate; but we dare not call him back, for God's ways should be ours, though they are sometimes hard to understand, and we bow our heads in submission and say, "O God! Thy will, not ours, be done."

Heartfelt thanks are hereby extended to all who assisted and gave comfort to the parents in their hour of affliction.

Died, at her home, 10 miles north of Colby, Thomas county, Kansas, on Monday, July 12th, 1886, Harriet A. Taylor, wife of Alexander Taylor, M. D.

The deceased was born in Washington, C. H., Ohio, August 21st, 1826, and consequently was at the time of her death in the closing up days of her 59th year. She was united in marriage to Alexander Taylor, August 21st, 1846, and in this happy union to them twelve children were born, two sons and ten daughters. The two sons have preceded the mother to the land of rest, while the husband and father, and ten grown-up daughters, all married but the youngest, remain to mourn the loss of a kind, christian mother. Dr. Taylor and the deceased companion and the youngest daughter came from Nebraska one year ago last May to the northern part of this county, to share with us in the pioneer life in Northwestern Kansas. Sister Taylor, the deceased, united with the M. E. church in her 17th year, and has ever lived conscious of the divine approval, and died as she had lived, a christian. Her funeral was preached by the writer at their home from Job 14th chapter, 14th verse, "If a man die shall he live again?" after which she was followed by the sorrowing husband and weeping daughters and kind neighbors and friends to the beautiful cemetery in the city of Colby, where appropriate burial services were had, after which we laid her body softly down to sleep to await the resurrection morn.

May God bless the dear mourning husband and weeping children, and may they not sorrow as those who have no hope, but may they ever sing: Dear is the spot where christians sleep, And sweet the strains their spirits pour. O why should we in anguish weep, They are not dead but gone before. To Jordan's bank, when'er we come, And hear the swelling waters roar, Jesus convey us safely home To friends not lost but gone before. F. M. STEWART.

## HONI SOIT QUI MALY PENSE.

BY HOME TALENT.

It was going from Colby one evening. As the sun began to go down. A granger was slowly wending His way from the busy town.

His horses were tired and lazy, And slowly they walked along. While the driver was humming short snatches Of a jolly and rollicking song.

The wagon with hay-rack was loaded. A mean thing on which to ride; And behind, demurely walking, A "masculine cow" he had tied.

Two belles of the city, out walking. To catch up with the granger they tried. And thinking to have some amusement, They asked him to give them a ride.

He loaded them into his hay-rack. For they seemed so gushing and kind, And their actions completely wilted The "cow" that he led behind.

They simpered and talked of their fellows. And they thought the granger would faint. When they began daubing their faces With some of that swan's-down paint.

Their actions became so fantastic, That the "cow" it went back with a rush. And there on the ground it lay fainting At their superabundance of gush.

And now my advice to young ladies, Especially girls in their teens: You'll find 'tis not always the safest To rope up a granger for greens.

There will be preaching at Prairie Temple school house by Rev. Z. Mitchell on Sunday, Aug. 15th, 1886, at 11 a. m.

## A Visit to Meglemre's.

We had heard so much about Meglemre's we called on him Monday. He is doing a fine business in the hardware line as well as in the implement business. He sold four Star Wind Mills last week and says they are giving excellent satisfaction and go ahead of the Halladay. There is a regular rush on his barbed wire lately. If you want harrows, plows, cultivators, tanks, or in fact, anything in the implement line, give him a call. It will be an object for you to price his shelf hardware, as his stock is full and cheap. Mr. Meglemre's store is opposite the proposed new brick hotel.

## City Drug Store.

Walker & Youssef are now in their new Drug Store 22x50, two stories, next door north of Bean Bros Hardware Store. It is a great improvement and fitted up in excellent taste. It has a very attractive appearance. As you enter, on the right may be found Mr. G. N. Coffin, the popular jeweller who is prepared to do all in his line to satisfy the most fastidious. On the right are the elegant show cases full of fancy articles. On the left is a complete line of drugs. Dr. Douglass, homeopath, also has his office here and will attend to all calls in his line. W. W. Walker is still the druggist. Mr. Walker has been here from beginning of Colby and is identified with its interests. Wylie is a No. one druggist, may his patronage increase as it deserves.

Castor & Barrington have just completed one of the finest buildings in Colby for Walker & Youssef. They are both master workmen and anybody wanting a first-class job done in a first-class way should employ them by all means.

## Will Stay.

I have rented for one year the old Pioneer Store Building, and have just put in a very large and choice stock of goods—more than ever before. The slaughter will go on in prices on Dry Goods, Notions, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes, Groceries, &c., &c. Bear in mind the old Pioneer, where you can get everything at the lowest rates in the city of Colby. M. DONELAN.

"Money makes the mare go." Money buys a new dress for the daughter or wife, or a pair of pantaloons for the "king of creation." Everybody wants money. The secret is how to get it. The secret is divulged by W. S. Wilcox & Co., who have thousands of dollars to loan on farms in Thomas county. Call on the office, 1st door east of the postoffice.

AUCTION SALE.—I will sell on Saturday, Aug. 14, 1886, some fine saddle horses and a few milch cows at public auction. E. BROQUET.

Empty barrels at the Palace Drug Store cheap. BASE BALL GOODS.—We have a large stock of all kinds of base ball goods on hand. MARTIN BROS.

A number one grade of new oats just received at J. M. Gamble & Co's.

We defy Thomas county to produce a person we will fail to please in a pocket knife, price considered. C. H. MARTIN & BRO.

Span of mules for sale cheap at J. W. Allen & Son's.

A ton of gold eagles is a large amount of money. W. S. Wilcox & Co. have a whole carload of gold to scatter over Thomas and Sherman counties on real estate security.

We now carry a full line of the celebrated Byram cigars, named for the Byram Hotel, of Atchison, one of the best 5 cent cigars in the state of Kansas. MARTIN BROS.

Save money by buying your flour and feed at J. M. Gamble & Co's flour and feed store.

When in the course of human events some men go "busted," get "hard up," and cuss in and out about "ill-luck." Now in the interest of morality we beg of you not to swear but call on W. S. Wilcox & Co., and get a loan on your farm. Our rates are reasonable.

SEED WHEAT FOR SALE.—Whitney and Oregon varieties of soft wheat, and Turkey wheat. The Whitney is a bearded wheat, with a good, stiff straw, and has given me larger returns than any wheat I have ever grown. It yielded last year 16 bushels to the acre, and this year 25 bushels per acre. And is said to have yielded in 1884, 45 bushels per acre from 27 pounds of seed. I consider it the best wheat ever introduced into this part of the country. The Oregon is a smooth wheat, a few days earlier than the Whitney, stands the winter well, and ranks next in favor to the Whitney.

The Turkey is a standard variety of hard winter wheat that needs no comment. Prices, Whitney, \$1.00 per bushel; Oregon, 75c per bushel; Turkey, 65c per bushel. Address H. P. Wilson, Hays City, Kans.

## Town Talk.

Nice fresh California fruit at Postoffice store.

Large stock of undertaking goods just received at the Red Front.

N. J. Adams is prepared to fill orders in undertaking on short notice. He carries a large stock.

Go to the Windsor, the best hotel in town.

For the best board go to the Windsor. Fancy articles of all kinds at the City Drug Store.

Patent medicines of every description at Walker & Youssef's.

All prescriptions carefully and promptly compounded at the City Drug Store. NOTICE.—All persons who have accounts with us must call and settle by the 10th of August. BEAN BROS.

Walter A. Woods is the best machine to buy. Sold at Bean Bros'.

Call and see the dandy rakes at Bean Bros'.

If you want a mower and rake we can save you money by you calling and seeing us. BEAN BROS.

If you want everything in the hardware line call and see Bean Bros.

We have the best stoves and ranges in the market. BEAN BROS.

If you want a machine that will cut every kind of grass, buy the Tiger. Sold at Bean Bros'.

A carload of Harvest Queen just received at J. M. Gamble & Co's.

Colby and Oberlin stage line is the best conveyance to Oberlin.

The fine brands of whiskies, wines, gin, etc., at C. H. Martin & Bro's, are giving entire satisfaction for medical purposes.

Goodsoe will attend to business before the land office and furnish money to pay out on your claim.

Closing out at cost at Donelan's.

Remember the old Pioneer on the corner is the place to buy dry goods, groceries, boots and shoes, etc.

Prices are cut seriously at Donelan's.

How rapidly the 10,000 Brick at the Palace are selling. Everybody smokes them.

8 packages good coffee at Donelan's. Corn has advanced in price, but chop feed can still be had at bottom prices. J. M. GAMBLE & CO.

Did you hear the clear notes and harmonious sound that can be produced on those nice cheap French harps at Martin Bros'?

Buy your salt by the barrel at J. W. Allen & Son's.

The old reliable 5 cent cigars, "Salenger's Stand Bye" at Walker & Youssef's. Anything you want in the stationery line at E. P. Hovey's P. O. store.

TAKE NOTICE.—All persons knowing themselves indebted to me must call and settle at once. This must be attended to. M. DONELAN.

Buy a sack of Harvest Queen and make your good wife happy. J. M. GAMBLE & CO.

We can please anyone in a sponge. We have a full line from the largest to the smallest. MARTIN BROS.

Old furniture made to look as good as new with that splendid furniture polish at C. H. Martin & Bro's.

Headquarters for patent medicines at the Palace.

We are still on top with the best brands of flour for the least money. J. M. GAMBLE & CO.

If you want to borrow money to prove up with, see Frank Pingree.

For dry goods, boots and shoes and groceries, go to M. Donelan's.

J. W. Allen & Sons are selling fine lawns, at from 5 to 20 cents.

Fresh lemons at E. P. Hovey's P. O. store.

We sell more of Vane, Calvert & Co's and other paints than any house in Western Kansas, because we will not allow ourselves to be undersold.

C. H. MARTIN & BRO.

The Anchor flour is the most popular brand for the money. Try a sack. J. M. GAMBLE & CO.

FINE JEWELRY.—Martin Bros. have a full line of gold and silver watches, ladies' and gents' vest chains, plain gold and set rings, ear rings, sleeve buttons, &c., &c. All goods guaranteed first-class, with prices to suit the times.

Don't purchase paint until you have called at the Central Drug Store. We can save you money.

BIG VARIETY.—We carry ten different brands of 5 cent cigars, all of which we guarantee first-class.

C. H. MARTIN & BRO.

J. W. Allen & Sons have a fine variety of Victoria Lawns and Satins.

Frank Pingree is now agent for the old reliable Halladay windmill. See Frank before you purchase a mill.

The Palace carries everything kept in a first-class drug store.

The Palace Drug Store carries a full line of the best brands of perfumery, soaps, etc.

Remember that the best 5 cent cigar in the city is the "Corona de Oro" for sale E. P. Hovey's P. O. Store.

Go to I. H. Bullers for harvesting tools.

Carload of flour just received at J. W. Allen & Son's.

A new and complete line of clothing at J. W. Allen & Son's.

The best grades of flour always on hand at Gamble's flour and feed store.

Try the Good Luck flour at J. W. Allen & Son's.

A large invoice of dry goods just received at J. W. Allen & Son's.

Great auction sale of new milch cows at Colby, Aug. 7, 1886. E. BROQUET.

The best stock of Boots and Shoes in western Kansas at the Great Western Dry Goods and Grocery House.

Books at the Central.

Old people suffer much from disorders of the urinary organs, and are always gratified at the wonderful effects of Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Balm in banishing their troubles. \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Walker & Youssef and at the Palace Drug Store.

G. W. Friend,

Contractor, house painting, calcomining, paper hanging, graining and sign writing.

Get your reading matter at the Central Drug Store.

See J. W. Allen & Son's new ad. They are the boss merchants.

Call upon Goodsoe for a loan on chattels, or money to prove up.

All those indebted to me will please call in and settle at once. M. DONELAN.

When you want a good smoke go to Northrup Bros. and get a Nickle Plate, the best 5 cent cigar in the market.

Bring your prescriptions to the Palace drug store at all hours, night or day, and get them filled by experienced registered pharmacists.

For clear Popular and California Red wood call on Chicago Lumber Co.